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SUBJECT:GOT REQUEST TO RENEGOTIATE CIGLI TURNOVER AGREEMENT

REFS: (A) ANKARA 4848 (B) ANKARA 4234

1. WE FULLY AGREE WITH TACK TAKEN WITH ASULA BY MSA COUNSE-
LOR GARDNER THAT IT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE TO RENEGOTIATE
ANNUAL CIGLI PAYMENT WHILE NEW DCA IS BEFORE CONGRESS. YOU
MAY TELL ASULA WHEN HE RAISES SUBJECT AGAIN THAT, WHILE RE-
SERVING OUR POSITION ON ULTIMATE RENEGOTIATION, WE WILL TAKE
GOT PROPOSALS FOR RENEGOTIATION UNDER ADVISEMENT UNTIL DCA
IS APPROVED. HOPEFULLY GOT WILL PRESENT SUBSTANTIAL AND
REALISTIC DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT REQUEST FOR RENE-
GOTIATION THAT WILL BE USEFUL IN CONSIDERING OUR POSITION IN
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MEANTIME WITHOUT ENTERING INTO ACTUAL NEGOTIATIONS.

2. THERE IS NO DOUBT FROM OUR READING OF THE CIGLI AGREEMENT THAT, EVEN FROM GOT STANDPOINT, IT REMAINS IN FORCE AND, ACCORDING TO PARAS 4E AND F, THAT AMOUNT PAID ANNUALLY TO TURKISH AIR FORCE FOR MAINTENANCE OF CIGLI FACILITIES FOR USAF STAND-BY USE IS SUBJECT TO "CONTINUAL REVIEW" AND ADJUSTMENT BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT. FURTHERMORE, IT IS OUR VIEW THAT WORDING OF PARA 7 THAT "IN THE UTILIZATION OF THE CIGLI AIR BASE... DUE REGARD WILL BE GIVEN TO THE PROVISIONS OF

THE DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT OF 3 JULY 1969" DOES NOT AFFECT ITS STANDING AS A SEPARATE AND UNRELATED AGREEMENT WHICH SUPERSEDED ITS PREDECESSOR. FINALLY, WHAT THE GOT HAS SAID PREVIOUSLY ABOUT STATUS OF 1969 DCA AND RELATED AGREEMENTS HAS NO BEARING IN VIEW OF OUR CONSISTENT POSITION THAT THESE AGREEMENTS REMAIN VALID.

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